UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

United States of America Plaintiff,

v. Case No.: 1:23-cv-00399-MSM-LDA

The Washington Trust Company, of Westerly Defendant.

CASE OPENING NOTICE

The above–captioned case has been opened pursuant to Rule 3 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The above case number and caption should be used on all papers subsequently submitted to this Court.

The plaintiff is responsible for having the summons and complaint served within the time allowed by Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m). If not already filed with the complaint, the plaintiff should file a completed summons with the Clerk of Court for signature and seal. Unless service is waived, proof of service of a summons must be filed with the Court within 14 days after service as outlined in LR Cv 5.1(a). Failure to do so may result in dismissal for lack of diligent prosecution. See: LR Cv 41.

Counsel representing a nongovernmental corporate party must file a corporate disclosure statement with the first document filed with the Court, and properly file a supplemental statement if any required information changes. <u>See</u>: Fed. R. Civ. P. 7.1(a)(1).

Additionally, if this is an action in which jurisdiction is based on diversity under 28 U.S.C. §1332(a), a disclosure statement that names and identifies the citizenship of all the party or parties must be filed. If the party is an LLC, the disclosure statement must name the citizenship of any member of the LLC through however many layers of members or partners there may be. <u>See</u>: Fed. R. Civ. P. 7.1(a)(2).

Parties are encouraged to exchange disclosures immediately and to commence discovery. A case management scheduling conference will be set as soon as practicable after an answer is filed.

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Guidance Regarding Motions to Seal in Civil Cases

Preventing Third-Party Services' Access to Restricted Information in CM/ECF

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September 27, 2023

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